

Women in Business

Business men often express the opinion that there is one thing which will prevent women from completely filling man's place in the business world—they can't be depended upon because they are sick too often. It is true that many women are compelled to look forward to times when they are unable to attend to social or business duties. Their appearance plainly indicates their condition and they are reluctant to be seen, even by their friends. Read what a business woman says to such sufferers:

Mrs. C. W. Mansfield, 58 Farrar street, Detroit, Mich., says:

"A complication of female ailments kept me awake nights and wore me out. I could get no relief from medicine and hope was slipping away from me. A young lady in my employ gave me a box of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I took them and was able to rest at night for the first time in months. I bought more and they cured me as they also cured several other people to my knowledge. I think that if you should ask any of the druggists of Detroit, who are the best buyers of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills they would say the young women. These pills certainly build up the nervous system and many a young woman owes her life to them."

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HEAVY FIGHTING REPORTED

The Noise of Battle Is Heard in the Direction of Modder River.

LACK OF NEWS CAUSING DEEP ANXIETY.

Latest Dispatches from Mafeking Show That Provisions Are Getting Scarce—President Steyn's Report of Battle at Stormberg Junction—Another Statement from Gatacre.

Cape Town, Dec. 12.—It is reported that heavy fighting was heard all day Monday in the direction of Modder River.

Public Anxiety Increased. London, Dec. 12.—The almost complete absence of news from the theater of war up to 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon increases public anxiety, so deeply stirred by Saturday's disaster. Such scanty messages as have dribbled through seem to indicate that preparations are about completed for simultaneous attacks at Tagela river and Modder river—the dispatches showing that the British and Boers were in touch in both directions Monday.

There is no confirmation of the report of another day-long battle along the Modder river Monday, but possibly there has been a resumption of fighting, as reported by Gen. Cronje Monday evening, as the searching

but failed. The Second Irish fusiliers seized a kopje near and held on, supported by the mounted infantry and Cape police. The guns, under Jeffreys, could not have been better handled. But I regret to say that one gun was overturned in a deep rut, and another sank in quicksand. Neither could be extricated in the time available.

"Seeing the situation, I sent a dispatch rider to Mafeking with the news. I collected and withdrew our forces from ridge to ridge for about nine miles. The Boer guns were remarkably well served. They carried accurately 5,000 yards. I am holding Bushman's Hook and Cypergat. Am sending the Irish rifles and Northumberland to Stormsberg to recuperate. The wounded proceed to Queenstown. The missing Northumberland number 206, not 208 as previously reported."

PLANS FOR SOCIAL SEASON.

Programme of Entertainments at the White House During 1900 Has Been Completed.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The programme of entertainments at the white house for the season of 1900 has been completed. The same general plan has been followed as last year, beginning with the morning reception on New Year's day, and closing with that to the public in the evening just before Ash Wednesday, which falls on February 28.

Wednesday has been adhered to as the president's day for evening receptions and state dinners, which will make general cabinet receptions almost impossible. The arrangements for the New Year's reception are almost identically the same as in former years. The order of the reception will be: The cabinet officers and their families, followed by the members of the diplomatic corps, the su-

A FILIPINO LEADER KILLED.

Gen. Del Pilar, of Aguinaldo's Body Guard, Slain in Hard Fight Near Cervantes.

FALSE REPORTS GIVE OTIS TROUBLE

Insurgents Are Being Hard Pressed by the Americans—Report That Gen. Alejandrino and Staff Have Surrendered—Location of Our Troops Up to Date.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Gen. Otis Friday cabled the war department in regard to the uprising in Negros as follows:

Manila, Dec. 8.—I am informed the outbreak of natives in the district of South Negros was the result of reported recent great insurgent victories in Luzon and Panay, which the natives believe. The extent of the outbreak not ascertained. Gen. A. C. Ledyard, Sixth infantry, killed, two privates wounded.

"One of our chief difficulties arises from the circulation of falsehoods among the natives, defamatory newspaper articles of United States and Europe promptly published in Spanish in San Francisco, Madrid and by Hong-Kong Junta and circulated in Philippines. Insurgents have based all hopes upon false rumors."

Hot After Aguinaldo.

A second dispatch from Gen. Otis, dated Manila, Friday, says:

"Hospital ship Relief just returned from Vigan bringing 272 sick soldiers, 232 Spanish prisoners, reports several hundred Spanish prisoners at Vigan, for which we send transport this evening. Gen. Hare, Thirty-third infantry, took Bangued, 5th inst., and now with portion of regiment and battalion Thirty-fourth infantry in pursuit of insurgents on road southeast to Lepanto, thence to Irontoe, on which Aguinaldo and 300 insurgents supposed to be retreating with American prisoners. Inhabitants of western Luzon count friendly and give assistance."

Gen. Del Pilar Killed.

Manila, Dec. 11.—Gen. Gregorio Del Pilar, commanding Aguinaldo's bodyguard, was killed by Maj. March's battalion of the Thirty-third infantry in a fight 15 miles northwest of Cervantes on December 3. According to reports which Gen. Young obtained from escaped Spanish prisoners at Vigan several days ago, Maj. March left the coast, where he was pursuing Aguinaldo, and encountered Gen. Del Pilar on a fortified trail. The forces fought for four hours, during which 70 Filipinos were killed or wounded. The American loss was one man killed and six wounded.

Reports Confict.

Manila, Dec. 11.—An expedition headed by the battleship Oregon left Manila for Subig Saturday night. It is reported that the Filipino commander, Gen. Alejandrino, with his staff, has surrendered to Gen. MacArthur, and there is also a rumor that Alejandrino is at Aguilar suffering from a wound received in a fight between insurgents and bandits, and that he will be given an opportunity to surrender, and will be properly cared for.

Location of Our Troops.

Washington, Dec. 11.—The war department has received the following from Gen. Otis:

Manila, Dec. 9.—Dispatch from Young at Vigan yesterday says escaped Spanish prisoners report four hours' engagement 3d inst. between his troops and Aguinaldo's guard near Cervantes, 50 miles southeast of Vigan, with heavy loss to enemy, who is being pursued. Our loss one killed six wounded; inhabitants of own accord join troops repairing trail and carrying subsistence. Have pushed column to San Jose south Bangued. Howe's column on rear trail. Batoc's battalion Twenty-fourth out of reach north of Bayambang, evidently descending river. Natives report fighting occurred 20 miles north. Navy reaches Aparri to-morrow; column of MacArthur's troops. Twenty-fifth infantry reported near Iba west coast Zamboanga; Grant's column near Subig bay; Lawton in Bulacan province to-day with sufficient troops to overcome opposition and scatter enemy."

San Miguel Taken.

Manila, Dec. 12.—Gen. Lawton, with the Thirty-fifth infantry and four troops of the Fourth cavalry, has occupied San Miguel without a fight. The Filipinos deserted Olanguapo and Subig on Gen. Grant's approach, and marines occupied the port as a naval station. Gen. Young's troops are still in pursuit of Aguinaldo.

Murdered.

Ellsworth, Wis., Dec. 12.—James Goggin, a well-known farmer living near here, was found dead between Ellsworth and Hager Saturday night. Goggin started to walk from here to Maiden Rock, where he was to attend a meeting of the masonic lodge. Evidence goes to show the man was murdered, his skull being badly crushed.

The Iowa Vote.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 9.—The official votes on governor at the last election were completed by the secretary of state Friday, as follows: Republican, 230,543; democratic, 183,326; prohibition, 7,660; populist, 1,694; socialist-labor, 763; united Christian, 483. Gov. Shaw's (republican) plurality, 56,217; majority, 45,627.

Renews Plea for Statehood.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The governor of New Mexico in his annual report estimates the population of the territory at 260,500, and says this year's record will exceed almost all former years in the revenue derived from produce, sheep and cattle. The report renews the plea for statehood.

Heavy Loss by Fire.

Augusta, Ga., Dec. 11.—A fire which had its origin in a dry goods store here shortly after two o'clock Sunday morning, burned four hours and laid waste a solid block in the center of the business portion of the city. The damage will approximate \$1,000,000. There were no casualties.

Passed Away.

New York, Dec. 9.—Joseph C. Hoagland, the founder and president of the Royal Baking Powder company, died in this city Friday from acute kidney trouble.

TOLEDO ANN ARBOR AND NORTH MICHIGAN RAILWAY.

TIME TABLE.
In effect Nov. 12th, 1897.

TRAINS LEAVE ALMA

NORTH	SOUTH
No. 1—12:45 p. m.	No. 2—7:30 a. m.
No. 3—8:40 p. m.	No. 4—4:25 p. m.
W. H. BENNETT, Gen. Pass Agent, Toledo, Ohio.	H. J. WINSHELL, Agent, Alma.

TOLEDO, SAGINAW & MUSKEGON R.V.

Leave Ashley	Arrive Saginaw	Leave Saginaw	Arrive Toledo
6:30 a. m.	12:10 p. m.	12:10 p. m.	6:30 a. m.
7:30 p. m.	1:10 p. m.	1:10 p. m.	7:30 p. m.

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Muskegon	6:30 a. m.
Saginaw	12:10 p. m.
Alma	1:10 p. m.
Grand Haven	2:10 p. m.
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The location of Gen. Gatacre's column in its advance into the Orange Free State, in cooperation with Gen. Methuen's advance to the relief of Kimberley. Stormberg Junction, where Gatacre's force was routed, is on the direct line to Burgersdorp, Bloemfontein and Pretoria.

lyddite shell fire of Sunday was probably a preliminary to an advance.

A strange item of news has reached here from Boer sources, announcing that the Vredefort bridge is damaged. This is taken in some quarters as a possible confirmation of the suggestion that the British have made a wide sweep, by way of Helpmankar, and preparing to attack the Boers north of Ladysmith in the rear.

A message from Naauwpoort, dated Monday, December 11, shows that Gen. French has, apparently, no inclination to withdraw his advanced troops at Arundel, as it was feared might be the result of Gen. Gatacre's defeat. Gen. French reports that his artillery, December 11, forced an advance post of the Boers, south of Colesberg, to evacuate its position and seek refuge behind Vredefort.

Great Indignation.

There is great indignation in Great Britain at the intelligence the British intelligence department is displaying in estimating the Boer strength in Cape Colony. Experts aver that 15,000 Boers will have to be driven out of the colony before the passage of the Orange river can be commenced.

The Rhodesian force advancing to the relief of Mafeking reached Gaberone fort December 2 and found the Boers had evacuated the place. The Rhodesians are repairing the railroad as they advance.

The latest news from Mafeking shows that Col. Baden-Powell has been forced to reduce the rations of the garrison and inhabitants; but water is plentiful there.

Steyn's Report of Battle.

Pretoria, Dec. 10.—President Steyn has sent the following details of the fight at Stormberg Junction:

"The British, with six cannon, attacked the Boers, under Swanevel and Olivier and stormed the Boers' entrenched positions on the kopjes. After a severe fight they were compelled to surrender. The prisoners are Maj. Sturges, six officers and 230 noncommissioned officers and men of the Northumberland and two officers and about 20 noncommissioned officers and men of the Irish fusiliers. It is impossible to state the number of dead or wounded British. The Boers captured three cannon and two ammunition wagons."

Gatacre Explains His Defeat.

London, Dec. 12.—The war office has received the following from Gen. Forster-Walker:

"Cape Town, Monday, Dec. 11.—Gatacre reports as follows: 'The idea to attack Stormberg seemed to promise certain success; but the distance was underestimated by myself and the local guides. A policeman took us round some miles and consequently we were marching from 9:30 p. m. till 4 a. m. and were landed in an impossible position. I do not consider the error intentional. The Boers commenced firing from the top of an unscalable hill and wounded a good many of our men while in the open plain. The Second Northumberland tried to turn out the enemy

preme court, senators and representatives, the army and navy, Gen. Miles at the head of one branch of the service and Admiral Dewey at the head of the other. Ladies attend the New Year's reception at the white house, but not at the cabinet houses or at Gen. Miles' or Admiral Dewey's."

ELLIS GLENN SURRENDERED.

Woman Who Masqueraded in Man's Attire to Be Taken Back to West Virginia.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 12.—Gov. Tanner ordered the surrender of Ellis Glenn, in jail at Hillsboro, to West Virginia officers, in which state she is charged with forging notes on J. C. Richardson, Judge Dwight at Hillsboro, ordered the indictments charging the prisoner with forgery quashed and she was immediately turned over to the sheriff of Wood county, Va. Ellis Glenn masqueraded in man's attire, and after living a fast life in Montgomery county and becoming engaged to Miss Leta Dukes, forged a note on her affianced father and skipped out on the evening before the wedding.

Poor Man's Hotel.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 12.—Joseph R. McFee, social superintendent of the Salvation Army, is about to establish in Baltimore a poor man's hotel, similar to those operated by the Salvationists in New York, Chicago and San Francisco. The building, No. 4 North Frederick street, is being remodeled and fitted up for the purpose. There will be accommodations for 75 men. The uniform rate of ten cents a night will be charged.

Sends His Proxy.

Wilmington, Del., Dec. 12.—Gen. James H. Wilson, who is in Cuba with his command, has sent to Henry R. Thompson, of this city, his proxy as member of the republican national committee for this state, and Mr. Thompson, who belongs to the Dupont regular republicans, will attend the meeting in Washington on Friday.

Five of Crew Lost.

London, Dec. 12.—A dispatch from Saigon, capital of French Cochinchina, says the British steamer St. Helens, Capt. Luckham, last reported from Shanghai, September 30, for Singapore, has been totally lost on the Paraols, a group of islets and reefs in the China sea, and that five of her crew were drowned.

Engineer Killed.

Huntington, W. Va., Dec. 12.—Norfolk & Western passenger No. 3 ran into a siding at Panther creek in the morning. Engineer W. S. Bishop, of Huntington, was killed and Fireman Counts, of Bluefield, was badly injured.

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